

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A ~~[[M]]~~method ~~[[to]]~~ for administrating information in an interactive communication system comprising:

receiving a request for information, wherein the request for information comprises at least one selected from the group consisting of a request from a user and a request resulting from execution of a program;

determining whether the information is available in a cache memory;

if the information is available in the cache memory:

determining whether a duration of validity associated with the information is expired;

loading the information from the cache memory into a buffer memory, if the duration of validity associated with the information is not expired;

downloading updated information from a broadcast source, affixing at least one portion of the updated information with a duration of validity, and storing the updated information in the cache memory and the buffer memory, if the duration of validity associated with the information is expired;

if the information is not available in the cache memory:

downloading the updated information from the broadcast source;

affixing at least one portion of the updated information with the duration of validity; and

storing the updated information in the cache memory and the buffer memory

~~a) following a request for information (106) from a user or resulting from the execution of a program, the verification (102, 104) of said information is available in a memory called cache memory, the loading (110) of the information from the cache memory when it is available, and the loading of the information from a broadcast source when it is not available in the cache memory;~~

~~b) and further comprising the associating (114) to at least a part of the information of the cache memory of date or duration or validity date data, the verification of the duration of validity of an information contained in the cache memory, in response~~

~~to the request for said information, and the loading of the information from the broadcast source if the validity data of the information available in the cache memory is expired.~~

2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ [[M]]method according to ~~the~~ claim 1, ~~in which wherein the~~ validity data duration of validity is affixed affected to the updated information ~~depending~~ based on the content of ~~[[said]]~~ the updated information.
5. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ [[M]]method according to claim 1, ~~in which wherein the~~ validity data duration of validity is affixed affected to the updated information ~~depending~~ based on the type of information to which the updated information corresponds.
6. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ [[M]]method according to ~~the~~ claim 1, ~~in which wherein an~~ arbitrary, predetermined validity data duration of validity is affixed affected to the updated information.
7. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ [[M]]method according to ~~the~~ claim 1, ~~in which wherein an~~ identifier is affixed affected to ~~each~~ the updated information when it is stored in the cache memory.
8. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ [[M]]method according to ~~the~~ claim 7, ~~in which wherein the~~ identifier of the associated with the updated information depends from is based on the content of the updated information.
9. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ [[M]]method according to ~~the~~ claim 7, for the administration of data information associated with [[to]] program information, ~~in which a~~ [[n]] first identifier is affixed affected to a data information, wherein the first identifier which depends from ~~the~~ identifier a second identifier that is affixed affected to an associated program information.
10. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ [[M]]method according to the claim 1, ~~in which wherein the~~ updated information is stored in the cache memory and the buffer memory in the form of one

selected from the group consisting of tables and [[or]] Motion Picture Expert Group (MPEG) sections.

11. (Currently Amended) A [[D]] device for interactive communication comprising:

a processing unit (23) for processing information,

a system ~~(10, 14, 22)~~ for downloading updated information from a broadcast source~~[[,]]~~

in response to a command from the processing unit, wherein the system comprises at least an additional a cache memory (30) (cache) and a buffer memory for receiving the downloaded updated information, wherein the updated information is affixed with a duration of validity and stored in the cache memory and the buffer memory for their storage in association with a duration of validity data; and

a system for administrating the cache memory in order configured to load, in response to ~~[[a]]~~ the command from the processing unit, information from the ~~additional cache memory~~, when the~~[[is]]~~ information, ~~having a non-expired validity data~~, is present in the ~~additional~~ cache memory and the duration of validated is not expired.